









Chairperson Vice-Chair

DETROIT BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS Minutes of the Board of Police Commissioners Meeting Thursday, February 5, 2009

The meeting of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners was held on Thursday, February 5, 2009, at 3:00 p.m., at Police Headquarters, 1300 Beaubien Street, Detroit, Michigan 48226.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present

Jim Holley Ronald L. Griffin (ABS) Adela Rivera Mohamed Okdie Erminia Ramirez

Department Personnel Present

AC Ronald Fleming Cmdr. Benjamin Lee Lt. Terry Herbert Sgt. Ulysha Hall Sgt. Hilton Kincaid Sgt. Shirley Berger Sgt. Debra McCreary Sgt. Michael Chambers PO Sophia Nelms PO Augusta Davis

Board Staff Present

Dante' L. Goss, Executive Director Celia Banks-Washington, Attorney/Supervising Inv. Arnold Sheard, Chief Investigator (ABS) Lawana Ducker, Personnel Director Ainsley Cromwell, Supervising Inv. Leslie J. Griffin, Community Affairs Coordinator PO Kent Cooper

RECORDERS

PO Terence Bell Robert Brown

OTHERS PRESENT

Ron Scott Tijuana Morris Edward Moore June Lee

Julie Semma Phyllis Hernandez

Tom Stidham Lucille Ellis

Janice Golston

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Holley called the meeting of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners to order at 3:15p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

• Thursday, February 5, 2009

MOTION: Comm. Okdie made the motion to approve the Agenda.

SECOND: Comm. Rivera seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• Thursday, January 29, 2009

MOTION: Comm. Okdie made the motion to approve the Minutes.

SECOND: Comm. Rivera seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

Comm. Ramirez stated an amendment to the minutes should state that suspension without pay for Chief Investigator Arnold Sheard will be effective Monday, February 2, 2009.

MOTION: Comm. Ramirez made the motion to amend the Minutes.

SECOND: Comm. Rivera seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

4. BOPC OFFICER'S REPORT

1. CHAIRPERSON

2. SECRETARY'S REPORT

CITIZEN COMPLAINTS RECEIVED

 For the week of February 5, 2009, the Office of the Chief Investigator received:

28 CR's This Week 111 CCR's Received Year to Date 17% Decrease vs. 2008 YTD

The Office of the Chief Investigator has a total of 1,057 active investigations, of which 111 of those are for 2009.

TOTAL WEEKLY ALLEGATIONS & COMMAND

Total	COMMAND	ALLEGATIONS								Total	
CCR	W/E 02/04/09	Arrest	Demeanor	Force	Harassment	Entry	Procedure	Property	Search	Service	Allegations
4	COMMUNICATIONS		3							1	4
4	CENTRAL		1				1			2	4
4	EASTERN		2				1			1	4
1	GAMING		1				1				2
1	NORTHEASTERN						1				1
4	NORTHWESTERN		3				1			3	7
1	TELEPHONE CRIME REPORT UNIT		1								1
1	TACTICAL SERVICES		1								1
5	Unknown Command		2				6				8
1	VIOLENT CRIMES		1								1
2	WESTERN		2				2				4
28			17				13			7	37

5. PRESENTATION/REPORT-CHIEF OF POLICE

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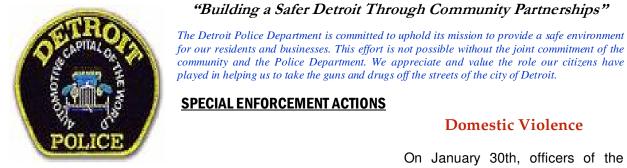
Report to the Board of Police Commissioners

"Building a Safer Detroit Through Community Partnerships"

The Detroit Police Department is committed to uphold its mission to provide a safe environment

community and the Police Department. We appreciate and value the role our citizens have

played in helping us to take the guns and drugs off the streets of the city of Detroit.



SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

Domestic Violence

On January 30th, officers of the Northeastern District responded to the 3000 block of Townsend on "Entering Without Owner's Permission" run and arrested a subject. Subsequent to the investigation conducted by members of Domestic Violence, the subject was later charged with "Home Invasion," "Resisting & Obstruction," "Malicious Destruction of a Building," and "Habitual 2nd."

Special Points of Interest:

Next meeting:

Thursday, February 12, 2009

@ 6:30 P.M.

Wayne County Community College 5901 Conners Detroit, Michigan 48213

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Domestic Violence	1	Engaging the Community Citizens wishing to make a police report may do so at the District stations in the city of						
Southwestern District	2	Detroit. Citizens may also utilize the following District Mini/Sub-Stations to make re						
Armed Robbery Task Force	2	<u>Location</u> <u>I</u> 1300 Beaubien 2151 E. Jefferson	Hours of Operation 24 Hours 24 Hours	<u>Telephone</u> 596-5100 596-6400				
Northwestem District	2	7737 Kercheval 19810 Grand River	*8 a.m. to 2 p.m. *9 p.m. to 9 p.m.	628-2121 870-0649				
Eastern District	2	13530 Lesure 12000 Livernois 20 Atwater	8 a.m. to 11 p.m. 24 Hours 24 Hours	596-5300 237-2555 237-2850				
Northeastern District	2	13206 E. Jefferson 22101 Moross (St. John Hospita 14700 Mack	*3 p.m. to 9 p.m.	821-5851 343-7506 852-4046				
		* Mini-Stations- Monday -Friday	5 p.m. 10 7 p.m.	332 1010				

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Southwestern District

on a "Robbery." Due to the officers' guick response and investigation, a subject was arrested and charged with "Attempt Robbery," and "Malicious Destruction of Property."

Armed Robbery Task Force

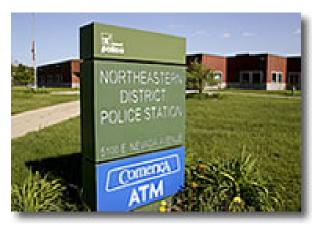
On January 25th, officers of the Southwestern On January 30th, officers of the Armed Robbery District responded to the 3000 block of Junction Task Force responded to the 7000 block of Southfield on a "Robbery." As a result of their investigation and diligent efforts, a subject was identified via a photo line-up, arrested on February 2nd, and charged with "Robbery Armed," "Felon in Possession," "Robbery Not Armed," and "Habitual 3rd."





Northwestern District

On January 27th, officers of the Northwestern District responded to the area of Grand River and Heyden on "Meet Person Who Located Stolen Vehicle." Upon arrival, the officers observed two suspects in the stolen vehicle and arrested them. Subject #1 was charged with "Carjacking," "Assault with Intent to Murder," "Assault with Intent to do Great Bodily Harm," "Felonious Assault," and "Felony Firearm." Subject #2 was charged with "Carjacking."



Northeastern District

On January 30th, officers of the Northeastern District responded to the 1000 block of East State Fair on "Shots Fired." Subsequent to their investigation, a subject was arrested and charged with "Assault with Intent to Rob While Armed," "Felonious Assault," "and "Felony Firearm." A weapon was recovered.

AC Fleming stated the towing files are being updated and all of the paperwork will be sent out to those towers to be added to the towing list for the 10th and 12th precincts.

Chairperson Holley asked Comm. Rivera if she was aware of this.

Comm. Rivera stated yes, and the Board is moving forward and she will be meeting with Deputy Mayor Saul Green and Joe Harris on Monday.

Chairperson Holley stated for clarification on the towers that are being added that their paperwork is on file.

AC Fleming stated yes.

Chairperson Holley stated at some point, there will be some closure because they know what they have to work with.

Comm. Okdie asked AC Fleming to give a brief summary of the reopening of the 10th precinct.

AC Fleming stated that the community welcomed the reopening and the officers were very excited to have it opened.

Comm. Ramirez asked if there was a mixture of both young and veteran officers at the 10th precinct.

AC Fleming stated yes.

Comm. Okdie stated he attended the reopening of the 10th precinct and it was well attended by the citizens of Detroit and they were happy.

Chairperson Holley stated they were because the police was back in their community.

He stated there needs to be some justification as to why they are going back to the precinct formats and getting away from the districts format. He mentioned every time there is a change of Mayor, there are some changes within the police department with no justification for those changes.

AC Fleming stated the citizens of City like the precinct format, because they are closer to them.

Chairperson Holley stated the Board would like some justification for the changes.

Comm. Ramirez stated she supports Chairperson Holley regarding the justification and would like to know where the money is coming from to open and support these precincts.

Chairperson Holley asked if there was space for the Community Relations Council within the 10th precinct.

AC Fleming stated yes.

6. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no standing committee reports.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Chairperson Holley stated to AC Fleming that it is his understanding that the union is rejecting the 10% pay cut. He wanted to know if the Board needs to make other considerations.

Atty. Washington they are in the process of tweaking the Budget, but that each and every tweak or change is reviewed by this Board.

Chairperson Holley stated that his concern about the rumor that the union isn't going to accept the 10% cut.

Atty. Washington stated at this time it maybe premature to be put that on the record, because there are ongoing talks.

AC Fleming stated he attended a Budget meeting today for the department and as of now the unions are not receptive to the 10% pay cut. The current Budget has to be changed because of potential to layoff. There is a phase 2, and a phase 3 that will require more layoffs.

Comm. Okdie stated lets not react to speculations so that this Board doesn't set a bad precedent. He stated once the union has made a statement, then there can be some discussion on their decision.

Comm. Ramirez stated she supports that idea.

Chairperson Holley stated he is concerned between now and the next time this Board meets that they won't have a chance to discuss it, because he doesn't want this Board out of the loop.

Comm. Okdie stated that this Board has the final say so to whether this Budget is passed or not.

Chairperson Holley stated they don't have control of the negotiation process.

Comm. Okdie stated that's correct.

Atty. Washington stated that this Board has expressed that it would like to be involved in all phases of the Budget.

1. GRANT: REQUEST PERMISSION TO ACCEPT AN INCREASE FOR THE "EDUCATION AND ENFORCEMENT IN FOCUS STATE AND FOCUS CITY PEDESTRIAN SAFETY EFFORTS PROJECT" FUNDED BY THE WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH GROUP (WSU-TRG

On June 23, 2008, the Wayne State University Transportation Research Group (WSU-TRG) awarded the Detroit Police Department (DPD) \$9,517.89, with no cash match. The funding was designated to cover the overtime costs of DPD Officers participating in two pilot enforcement programs, entitled "Share the Road" and "Traveling Trashed is Trouble (3T)" designed by Wayne State. This funding was accepted by the Board of Police Commissioners, City Council and Mayor's Office. Cost center #371925 was set up by DPD Budget Operations.

On December 16, 2008, the WSU-TRG awarded the DPD an <u>increase of \$29,295.00</u>, <u>with no cash match</u> (effectively increasing the total award to \$38,812.89), to cover overtime costs of officers participating in additional phases of the project. During the added phases, DPD Traffic Enforcement Unit officers will be issuing courtesy tickets and citations to offending pedestrians and motorists. Additionally, they will be conducting targeted enforcement of drunk-driving violations near locations that are subject to alcohol-involved crashes and heavy pedestrian traffic. If approved, Lieutenant Terry Herbert, of Police Community Services, will serve as the grant project director.

The Chief is requesting the Board's permission to accept this award increase and will seek approval of the attached resolution from the Detroit City Council.

Comm. Ramirez asked what is "Traveling Trashed is Trouble (3T) program, and who picked the names.

Lt. Herbert stated WSU picked the names, and also the targeted area to issue warning tickets to those who are in violation.

Comm. Ramirez stated you give them a warning first.

Lt. Herbert stated yes.

Comm. Ramirez asked what's the objective.

Lt. Herbert stated there are three phases; education, enforcement and engineering design to show that WSU can reduced the number Operating Under the Influence of Liquor (OUIL), DWI (Driving While Intoxicated), ect.

Comm. Rivera asked are the locations for phase 1 and phase 2.

Lt. Herbert stated yes, and Wayne State picked all of the locations.

Comm. Rivera stated the department doesn't know how the locations were picked.

Lt. Herbert stated through tickets and arrest to support their data.

Chairperson Holley stated isn't this also a training mechanism as well as research component. Therefore it may not make since to the average person.

Lt. Herbert stated yes.

Comm. Ramirez stated she thought the department was giving out jay walking tickets when she first read it.

PO Davis stated the first location near Cooley High School showed that several people who were crossing the street were not within the cross walk confines and a warning stating a citation will be issued if they continue to ignore the crossing signs.

Comm. Ramirez stated that was Cooley High School.

PO Davis stated yes, that was one of the locations.

Comm. Ramirez stated because it is educational maybe, you can go into the schools to let them know why you are issuing the warning tickets.

PO Davis stated this grant allows them to do that.

Lt. Herbert stated that Wayne State gave them a power point presentation to show the students when they go into the schools. He stated traffic accidents are the number one cause of death.

Comm. Ramirez stated Lt. Herbert's unit deals with crime prevention and the budget for his unit needs to increase.

She asked Lt. Herbert to speak about the electric car.

Lt. Herbert stated the department has decided to go green and purchased an electric car that was featured at this year's auto show. The car is used for

educational training in the community. It has been used to educate high school students about what the consequences are if you decide to drink and drive by using drunk-busted goggles.

Comm. Okdie asked how much did the car cost.

Lt. Herbert stated about \$14,900, from grant money.

Comm. Okdie stated it was passed through money.

Lt. Herbert stated yes.

Comm. Okdie asked how many officers are assigned to his unit.

Lt. Herbert stated he has seven officers, one sergeant, and one lieutenant.

Comm. Okdie asked how long has the seven officers been in his unit.

Lt. Herbert stated his unit started with ten officers in 2004 and now it is down to seven officers.

Comm. Okdie asked are they being paid by grant money.

Lt. Herbert stated not for salary, the grant money pays for them to go out in the community and do traffic safety programs.

MOTION: Comm. Okdie made the motion to approve the Grant.

SECOND: Comm. Rivera seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

2. GRANT: REQUEST TO APPLY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2009 "GANG PREVENTION COORDINATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANT" FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (USDOJ)

The United States Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, is seeking applications for funding under the Fiscal Year 2009 "Gang Prevention Coordination Assistance Program Grant." The purpose of this program is to support and enhance the coordination of existing community-based gang prevention and intervention programs and strategies that are closely aligned with local law enforcement efforts.

The Detroit Police Department's Gang Enforcement is preparing a proposal for \$200,000.00, <u>with no cash match</u>. If awarded, this grant would be for two years. The <u>deadline</u> for this application is Wednesday, March 4, 2009.

Should approval be granted, Lieutenant Darryl Brown of Gang Enforcement would serve as the Project Director.

Upon your approval, the Detroit City Council will be requested to adopt a resolution supporting this application.

Comm. Ramirez asked what agencies are gang enforcement is working with.

AC Fleming stated most of the law enforcement agencies.

Comm. Ramirez asked about the community based agencies they are working with and what preventions they are referring to.

AC Fleming stated he can have Lt. Brown to come to the next meeting to answer the questions she may have.

MOTION: Comm. Okdie made the motion to approve the Grant.

SECOND: Comm. Rivera seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

3. GRANT: EASTERN DISTRICT'S REQUEST TO APPLY FOR A JUSTICE AND MENTAL HEALTH COLLOBORATION PROGRAM GRANT

The United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance is seeking joint justice and mental health applications from eligible applicants to plan, implement, or expand a justice and mental health collaboration program. The Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program seeks to increase public safety through innovative cross-system collaboration for individuals with mental illness (MI) or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders (COD) who come into contact with the criminal justice system.

The Detroit Police Department's (DPD) Eastern District is currently in the process of preparing a grant application that meets the guidelines for Category II of the announcement (Planning and Implementation). Category II applicants can receive \$250,000 in funding, with no required cash match. A twenty percent in-kind match will be required in years one and two and a forty percent in-kind match in year three. This in-kind match will be shown in officers' salaries (manpower hours devoted to the grant's planning and implementation).

In the event that approval is granted to apply and the award is received, Eastern District Commander Steven Dolunt will serve as the project director. This application will be prepared and submitted by the grant deadline of Thursday, March 12, 2009.

Upon your approval, the Detroit City Council will be requested to adopt a resolution supporting this application.

MOTION: Comm. Okdie made the motion to approve the Grant.

SECOND: Comm. Rivera seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

4. GRANT: DETROIT POLICE COMMUNITY SERVICES' REQUEST TO APPLY FOR A METLIFE FOUNDATION GRANT

MetLife Foundation and the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) are partnering for the eighth year to recognize, sustain and share the work of innovative partnerships between community groups and police to promote neighborhood safety and revitalization. Through this awards program, MetLife Foundation and LISC will identify and honor partnerships that exhibit tangible accomplishments in their efforts to advance the process, outcome, and/or evaluation of potent police-community collaborations. Eligible applicants must be member organizations of partnerships that include, but need not be limited to, community organizations and police.

The MetLife Foundation Community-Police Partnership Awards include two separate categories which emphasize different models of community-police collaboration. Applicants can apply under two separate award categories:

- 1. Neighborhood Revitalization Awards: Two first place monetary awards of \$25,000 each and four runner up awards of \$15,000 will recognize exemplary collaboration between community groups and police that yields crime reduction as well as economic development outcomes, such as real estate development, business attraction and job growth. Winners of the Neighborhood Revitalization Awards agree to hold a local event in the summer or fall of 2009 to announce their award.
- 2. <u>Special Strategy Awards</u>: Five monetary awards of \$15,000 each recognize exemplary collaboration between community groups and police that yield significant public safety outcomes in one or more of the following areas:
 - Applied Technology
 - Aesthetics and Greenspace Improvement
 - Diversity Inclusion & Integration
 - Drug Market Disruption
 - Gang Prevention & Youth Safety
 - Seniors & Safety

Detroit Police Community Services is currently in the process of preparing a grant application that meets the guidelines. This application will be prepared and **submitted by the grant deadline of Friday, February 27, 2009.**

In the event that approval is granted to apply and the award is received, Lieutenant Terry Herbert, of Detroit Police Community Services, will serve as the project director.

Upon your approval, the Detroit City Council will be requested to adopt a resolution supporting this application.

MOTION: Comm. Okdie made the motion to approve the Grant.

SECOND: Comm. Ramirez seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

Comm. Ramirez asked is this grant different than Gang Prevention Grant, or is this a collaboration with the two grants.

Lt. Herbert stated when the grant was first received a number of units had an opportunity to apply for a portion of the MetLife Grant.

Comm. Ramirez asked what preventions does the Gang Prevention Grant provide.

Sgt. Chambers stated it is still in the process phase and all of the specifics haven't been worked out, but a part of the city with high gang activities needs to be identified.

Comm. Ramirez asked if the Board can get a report once the specifics are known.

Sgt. Chambers stated yes.

Comm. Ramirez asked if she can have it in two weeks.

Sqt. Chambers stated yes.

Comm. Ramirez stated she would like to have the agencies that Gang Squad is working with.

Sgt. Chambers stated he will let her know.

Comm. Ramirez stated they just passed a grant that has no guidelines because the proposal is still being worked on and you can bring the answers back in two weeks.

She asked is the MetLife Grant separate from the Gang Prevention Grant.

Sgt. Chambers stated it is a separate grant; the MetLife Grant is an existing program that is currently working in the community.

Comm. Ramirez asked for him to explain the "Drug Market Disruption".

Sgt. Chambers stated that is one of the categories in the MetLife Grant that the department can apply for.

Chairperson Holley stated the motion has been passed and the details should come in two weeks.

Comm. Ramirez stated in order to respond to a citizen's question by having the answers, this body will be able to give a responsible answer to a grant that was passed without having all of the specifics.

Sgt. Chamber stated he will provide her with those answers.

5. DONATION: REQUEST PREMISSIONTO ACCEPT A DONATION OF HIGH QUALITY USED OFFICE FURNITURE FROM OFFICE INSTALLATIONS OF WESTLAND, MICHIGAN

Office Installations of Westland Michigan has offered to donate high quality used office furniture to the Detroit Police Department. Office Installations has expressed a desire to be part of the business community supporting the City of Detroit in opening new police facilities. Additionally, this donation will allow Office Installations to free up warehouse space that currently has to be rented to store this product. The equipment will be utilized by the Detroit Police Department to furnish the new 10th Precinct and the proposed East and West Side Precincts. This equipment will be utilized exclusively by law enforcement personnel. **There is no cost to the City.**

The Chief is requesting the Board's permission to accept this donation and seek approval of the Honorable City Council.

Comm. Rivera stated this is only a donation with no later cost to the department.

AC Fleming stated yes, there will be no cost.

MOTION: Comm. Okdie made the motion to approve the Grant.

SECOND: Comm. Rivera seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

8. OLD BUSINESS

See standing committee reports.

9. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, February 12, 2009
Eastern District
Wayne County Community College
5901 Conner
Detroit, MI 48213

10. ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

L. Ellis stated on October 10, 2008 members of DPD kicked in her door and she was handcuffed. The officers were using abusive language and, a gun was pointed to her head. The officers ransacked her apartment while stating that they were looking for someone. They never showed her a search warrant. As a result of that she received a letter in the mail stating that she failed to answer a citation and her license was suspended.

Chairperson Holley asked what caused the citation to be issued.

L. Ellis stated she isn't sure.

Comm. Okdie asked what does the violation state.

L. Ellis stated violation of a drug crime.

Comm. Okdie asked when it was issued.

L. Ellis stated October 11, 2008.

Comm. Okdie stated it was issued a day after the incident. He stated they never gave you the citation, they just submitted it.

L. Ellis stated that's correct, this is the first time she has heard about it.

Comm. Okdie asked is there a badge number on the ticket.

L. Ellis stated it isn't a ticket.

Comm. Ramirez asked if she could see the document.

Chairperson Holley asked why she waited so long to come forward.

L. Ellis stated because of this letter.

Chairperson Holley stated if it wasn't for this letter you wouldn't be here alleging any other complaints.

L. Ellis stated she was under the impression that management from her apartment was handling this issue.

Comm. Okdie stated the abusive language needs to be dealt with, and to speak Mr. Cromwell after the meeting.

AC Fleming stated for Ms. Ellis to go to his office and that she would be satisfied before she leaves.

Chairperson Holley stated to Ms. Ellis that they will get some answers to this matter.

Comm. Okdie stated for her to come back.

J. Golston stated her son was charged with a murder and the department didn't investigate this matter through. She further stated that she would like his case to be looked into.

Chairperson Holley stated the witness is without sight.

J. Golston stated he has an eye disease.

Comm. Ramirez stated for clarification will this be turned over to the Assistant Chief.

AC Fleming stated he will contact homicide to have them to look at the case.

- **J. Golston** stated okay.
- **E. Moore** stated he is glad to see how this Board and department works with the citizens.

Chairperson Holley stated for Mr. Moore if Councilman Kenyetta can assist them with this Budget and the Towing.

- **E. Moore** stated he will make sure that is on his report to the councilman.
- **T. Stidham** stated the resolution that this Board passed has showed a great effort to meet the tower's concerns. He stated in the Mayor's reduction plan, it calls for a management company to manage tows in the City of Detroit.

Chairperson Holley asked how the Budget affects the towing.

Comm. Ramirez stated that Comm. Rivera will be meeting with the Deputy Mayor the old Auditor General on Monday to have discussions on that issue.

T. Stidham asked if he can participate in that meeting.

Comm. Rivera stated absolutely.

Comm. Ramirez stated not the meeting with the Deputy Mayor, but there will be others where the towers are invited.

Comm. Rivera stated not with the Deputy, but she is open to meeting with any of the towers.

T. Stidham asked if he can meet with her prior to meeting with the Deputy Mayor.

Comm. Rivera stated sure.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DANTE' L. GOSSExecutive Director
Board of Police Commissioners

DLG/rb